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Dear Sirs,

I am an entrepreneur working on a software/web application. I am extremely worried with your current proposed settlement with Microsoft. The company has a long history of squashing any form of competition.

I and many other developers are terrified of Microsoft's wrath. There is a genuine fear in the developer community of getting in Microsoft's gun sights. There are so many loopholes in the current settlement that will allow Microsoft to continuing their lying, cheating, conniving ways. Your settlements need to be far more air-tight.

Shame on you for proposing such a transparent and ludicrous settlement. I've truly lost faith in the U.S. government. Do the honorable thing. If you are not up to the task of prosecuting a convicted monopolist, then resign and let someone capable handle the matter.